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Elizabeth A. Yetley, PhD U. S. Food and Drug Administration 5600 Fishers Lane, Rockville MD 20857-0001

Dear Ms. Yetley,

I am outraged to learn that the FDA is considering mandating maximum nutrient quantities in foods and supplements. As posted on our web site, we have notified the FDA as early as 1995 that one of America's greatest scientists had made that claim that our number one killer, heart disease, is a vitamin C deficiency disease. Therefore, if Linus Pauling was right, limiting the amount of vitamin C by Government decree would amount to nothing less than genocide. The amount that prevents heart disease is unknown, but Pauling often recommended 3000 mg. You don't have to take my word for it. I make the same offer to you that I made to Dr. Kessler. We will provide you with a complimentary copy of the LINUS PAULING video on HEART DISEASE upon request.

The United States Government should not be trying to limit vitamin C in any way, shape, or form without knowing what the correct intake amount really is. Such a measure only makes sense if the Government is interested in protecting certain pharmaceutical interests, and not the general interest. I strongly object to placing any maximum restrictions on any orthomolecular (non-toxic) substance, i.e. vitamin or amino acid. It is not only wrong, it is very wrong. Immoral. And a great many people are now aware of this fact.

After receiving the following warning, I immediately went to the FDA web site looking for information about your proposal. I wanted to know how I should file a formal comment on your proposal. As of today, I could find nothing about this matter on the FDA web site searching on your name and CODEX.

Food & Drug Administration attempts to sneak restrictions on vitamins past the public during holiday break and change in executive branch

Washington DC- In an apparent attempt to sneak restrictive international agreements on safe upper limits of vitamins and mineral supplements past public scrutiny, the Food & Drug Administration (FDA) issued a letter, just prior to the Christmas holidays, that gives the public only a few days to mount objections to these proposals.

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With the Bush administration still a month away from taking the reigns of the executive branch of government, and the public distracted by the Christmas holidays, the Food & Drug Administration issued a letter on December asking for public comment on upper limits for vitamins and minerals. The public comment period ends January 16, 2001. Many parties who object to the proposed limitations on doses of vitamins and minerals in food supplements will be away from their desks and not likely to receive the FDA notification until January 2. The FDA has already received letters pleading for an extension of the comment period since materials on this topic are not needed till November of 2001.

Contact: Bill Sardi at Bsardi@aol.com

If this letter is not sufficient public comment regarding your proposal, please contact me at your earliest convenience with instructions on how to formally provide comment.

Yours truly.

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